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Applicant : PETER STRAUSS ET AL.

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Title : FLAT PRINTING MATERIAL-PROCESSING MACHINE WITH AN  
AUXILIARY PILE CARRIER

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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98 copies of the following patents and/or publications are submitted herewith:

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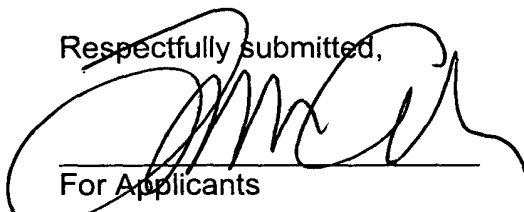
German Published Non-Prosecuted Patent Application DE 44 24 287 A1 (Jentzsch et al.), dated January 11, 1996, and English abstract thereof;

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